



**PARKS AND RECREATION AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION JOINT WORK SESSION**

**SENIOR CENTER AT FRISCO SQUARE
MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
6670 MOORE STREET**

7:00 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2010

MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair John Classe called the Parks and Recreation Board to order at 7:22 p.m. and announced a quorum was present.

Board Members Present: Chair John Classe, Vice Chairman Brad Mick, Board Secretary Robert Medigovich, Board Member Bruce Quinnell, and Board Member Mike Gfeller

Board Members Absent: Board Member Gerald Perrin

President Hunt Reifschneider called the Frisco Community Development Corporation to order at 7:22 p.m.

Board members present included President Hunt Reifschneider, Vice-President Allen Biehl, Treasurer Keith Wright, Secretary Cynthia Hurley, Board Members Gary Carley, Craig Moen, and Marc Robertson.

City Staff Members Present: Deputy City Manager Henry Hill, Assistant to the City Manager John Eaglen, Director of Parks & Recreation Rick Wieland, Recreation Facilities

Manager Steve Walsh, and Planning & Business Development Manager Dudley Raymond.

2. Citizen Appearance

No one was present to appear before the two Boards.

3. Presentation by Mr. Lee Myrben regarding possible improvements to the Veterans Memorial Plaza, located at Frisco Commons Park.

Mr. Lee Myrben was present along with Mr. Vance Lazar, to provide a presentation to the two Boards regarding potential improvements to the Veteran's Memorial area that is located at the Frisco Commons Park site. Mr. Myrben, along with other veterans have worked for several months to see if there were possible ways in which to enhance the memorial. Among the improvements were constructing a Walk of Honor around the outside perimeter of the existing plaza, the installation of lighting of the US and State of Texas flags, descriptive language of various campaigns, etc.

Mr. Myrben has also been working with staff on design elements in order to help compliment the existing development. Total cost estimates for the project are still early in the process as are potential donors or timing for the ultimate construction.

Both Boards were complimentary of the efforts given to date and look forward as additional information comes forward.

4. Update by Staff and discussion by both Boards regarding the Grand Park.

Dudley Raymond, Henry Hill and Rick Wieland provided both Boards with updated information regarding the Grand Park project. This included progress that had been made by the Grand Park Subcommittee on the Play Area for the park, as well as an update on the permit process with the US Army Corps of Engineers and the future mixed use area adjacent and west of the Grand Park site.

As a result of the City Council's Winter Work Session, staff is also looking at engineering work along with permitting that would associated with the development of water areas located to the east of the DNT that would provide a linkage to the Grand Park from Frisco Square.

Staff also made both Boards aware that the principle consultant for the Grand Park had experienced a high turnover of staff members who were involved in the Grand Park project. This has resulted in City staff examining this and evaluating what, if any, course of action should take place in the best interest of the City and this project. Staff will continue to keep both Boards up to date on this issue.

5. Update by Staff and discussion by both Boards regarding the development of B.F. Phillips Community Park and any subsequent action taken as a result of this discussion.

Dudley Raymond and Rick Wieland provided the two Boards with an update on the second phase of development at the community park along with updated information regarding the future dog park facility that would be located in the southeast section of the park, north of Stewart Creek.

As a result of the April 8, 2010 Parks and Recreation Board meeting, funding for the first phase of development to the Dog Park would take place in 2011. Additional development to the dog park would be a result of higher use and demand or the need for additional improvements as a result of the development of Fourth Army Memorial Road. Phase I improvements as they are currently budgeted would not provide for shade structures at the small or large dog area. Depending on the construction method and materials, this would have resulted in an additional \$80,000 to \$150,000 to the project.

Before moving on to the next item of business, the FCDC asked staff to place a discussion item on their next regular meeting to discuss possible funding for possible shade structures at the park.

6. Discussion by Staff and both Boards regarding potential temporary use of Northwest Community Park for mountain biking activities.

Dudley Raymond informed both Boards about interest that the Frisco Cycling Association had discussed with staff about utilizing sections of the Northwest Community Park site for the temporary development and use for a Mountain Biking Area.

At the current time, this site is not developed nor expected to be master planned for the next 2 years. It has a variety of topographical features that other park sites in our system do not offer and the cost to work with this group as the developer of the area would be minimal should the City move forward.

After further discussion regarding this, both Boards appeared to be supportive of allowing this usage for the park and staff will work through additional details with the cycling group. Staff will also follow up on looking into any potential liability issues and required signage that may need to be in place prior to moving forward

7. Discussion by Staff and both Boards regarding the development of Harold Bacchus Community Park and any subsequent action taken as a result of this discussion.

Dudley Raymond provided the two Boards with an update on additional improvements to develop a multi-sport practice area in the southeast section of Bacchus Community Park. The funding for these improvements had been approved by the Parks and Recreation Board 2-3 months ago. Once completed, this area will provide about a 5 acre area that could be utilized by various organizations for practices through the year. Recent

inclement weather hampered the development of this area but staff is working to complete this prior to fall practice beginning.

8. Update from Staff on the Frisco Athletic Center and subsequent discussion by both Boards.

Steve Walsh provided both Boards with an overview of the Frisco Athletic Center and details associated with the end of the second quarter of business for the facility. This included details on the membership of the FAC as well as financial details associated with revenue generation and expenditures for the first six months of operation for the current fiscal year.

Both Boards thanked Steve for the information and he will provide a similar overview to both groups again during the next two quarters.

9. Discussion regarding any miscellaneous business or items to be placed on future agendas.

At this time, there were no items asked to be placed on any future agendas.

ADJOURN

Board Member Bruce Quinnell moved to adjourn the Parks and Recreation Board at 9:48 p.m. Board Member Mike Gfeller seconded the Motion. Motion carried. Vote: 4-0.

Board Member Allen Biehl moved to adjourn the Frisco Community Development Corporation. Craig Moen seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved 6-0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

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